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SUBJECT: VISIT TO U.S. BY GERMAN-AMERICAN SOCIETY  
PRESIDENT

REF: FRANKFURT 5366

1. DR. ALEXANDER MENNE, WELL-KNOWN GERMAN INDUSTRIALIST  
AND FDP POLITICIAN FROM HESSE, ALSO TELEPHONED THE  
EMBASSY TO INFORM US OF HIS PLANS TO TRAVEL TO THE US.  
HE TOLD US HE PLANS TO BE IN WASHINGTON  
OCTOBER 8-12.

2. ONE SUBJECT WHICH HE WILL WANT TO EXPLORE IS THE  
POSSIBILITY OF GERMAN PURCHASES FROM THE US STRATEGIC  
STOCKPILE. MENNE SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED THIS QUESTION  
WITH FOREIGN MINISTER SCHEEL, FINANCE MINISTER SCHMIDT  
AND ECONOMICS MINISTER FRIDERICH, ALL OF WHOM HAD  
EXPRESSED INTEREST, ALTHOUGH SCHEEL HAD SAID HIS ONLY  
OFFICIAL COMPETENCE WOULD BE IF SUCH PURCHASES COULD  
BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE NEW OFFSET AGREEMENT. MENNE  
ADDED THAT US INTENTIONS ON DISPOSAL OF THE STOCKPILE  
WERE SOMEWHAT UNCLEAR. HE HAD HEARD FIGURES RANGING  
FROM \$6 BILLION WORTH TO \$2 BILLION WORTH AS POSSIBLY  
AVAILABLE. HIS MISSION WILL, THEREFORE,  
BE ESSENTIALLY A FACTFINDING ONE.

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3. COMMENT: WE DO NOT HAVE RECENT INFORMATION HERE

ABOUT US INTENTIONS ON DISPOSITION OF STRATEGIC  
STOCKPILE ITEMS WHICH, WE ASSUME, WOULD BE MAINLY  
DIRECTED TOWARDS MEETING OUR OWN INTERNAL REQUIREMENTS.  
WE ARE, MOREOVER, UNCERTAIN AS TO THE EXTENT OF THE  
INTEREST EXPRESSED BY THE FRG MINISTER MENNE CITED.  
RELEVANT OFFICIALS WHOM MENNE SEES IN WASHINGTON WILL,  
HOWEVER, WISH TO BE PREPARED TO ANSWER HIS QUERIES ON  
THE SUBJECT. HILLENBRAND

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